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INITIAL/FINAL POLLUTION REPORT Arapahoe Basin Oil Spill

I. BACKGROUND

Date: May 24, 1999
POLREP No.: Initial/Final
OSC Name: Steve Way
Agency: EPA
Unit: Region VIII
Emergency Response Program
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Party Conducting the Action: PRP/EPA Contractor
Federal Project # (FPN): A99019
Response Authority: OPA

II. SITUATION

Date of Notification: 3/27/99
Date Action Started: 3/27/99
Material Involved: Jet Fuel
Substantial Threat: Yes
Resource Affected: Snake River/Reservoir
Completion Date: 5/24/99

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

Section 311(c) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C.
§1321(c) as amended by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990.

B. Site Description



1. Site description

The incident occurred on Highway 6 in Summit County, Colorado. A damaged tanker which contained 7800 gallons of jet fuel was leaking near the base of the Arapahoe Ski Area.

2. Description of threat

Snake River was apparently unimpacted by the jet fuel release; however, unless the leak was stopped or contained, it could have reached the river, and ultimately discharged to the reservoir downstream which supplies drinking water.

- C. Site Evaluation Results

Summit County HazMat officials didn't have the capability to handle the leaking tanker and requested EPA's assistance. EPA and its CET Contractor began mobilizing from Denver, based on the fact that the fuel threatened to enter the Snake River immediately adjacent to the spill area. As agency and contractor response personnel were in route, Summit County reported that the RP had sent an empty tanker to off-load the remainder of the fuel which hadn't leaked from the 8000 gallon tanker. As a result the response wasn't necessary.

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

- A. Situation

1. Current situation

See IIIC above.

2. Removal actions to date

See IIIC above.

3. Enforcement

No actions have been initiated. Kline Trucking (800) 999-3471 responded.

B. Planned Removal Actions

The RP (Kline Trucking) transferred the remaining jet fuel from the leaking tanker and completed the cleanup. The RP mobilized a cleanup contractor to remove contaminated soil.

C. Future Plans

None.

D. Key Issues

None at this time.

V. COST INFORMATION

\$25,000 ceiling, approved on 3/27/99, was reduced to \$2,000 after it was determined that the RP would complete the Removal under local agency oversight. No contractor costs have been received by EPA to date. A fee for starting mobilization may be incurred.

VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

TBD